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Former CIA director to speak at Washburn

William E. Colby, former director of the Central Intelligence Agency, will deliver this year's Oscar S. Stauffer Lecture at 11 a.m. Nov. 15 in White Concert Hall on the Washburn University campus.

The lecture is free to the public. WU is billing the lecture as timely because of the recent debate on the importance and control of the CIA's political activities in Central America and other regions.

Colby's career with the CIA included being station chief in Saigon, Vietnam, from 1959 through 1962. He remained active in Vietnam affairs as chief of plans for the Far East Division through 1968, when he became assistant director and then director of the civil operations and rural development support in Vietnam.

In 1973, he became deputy director



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for operations of the CIA, responsible for intelligence gathering and secret political operations.

In September 1973, Colby was sworn in as director, overseeing 16,000 employees and a budget thought to be about \$750 million.

The lecture series honors the late Topeka publisher, Oscar S. Stauffer, founder of Stauffer Communications.